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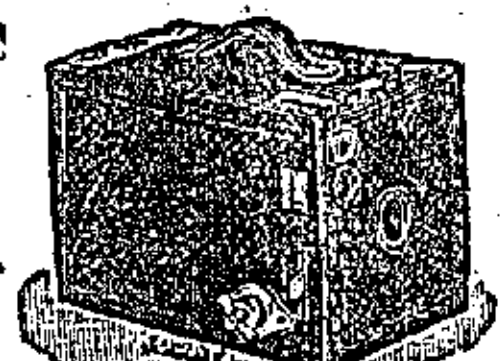
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## PARIS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

PARIS, 11th November.

## DEATH OF M. DE CASSAGNAC.

The sudden and regretted death from appendicitis of M. Paul Granier de Cassagnac at the age of 61 took Parisians by surprise. He was viewed as one of the greatest journalists as well as a duellist in France, being the proprietor and editor of that Anglophobic paper *L'Autorité*, an influential organ with certain classes. His furious writings and fierce personal attacks upon his contemporaries caused him to be continually at war with someone or other. Duelling might be said to have formed part of his eventful existence; before he was twenty-three he had already fought as many as twenty duels; it is reckoned that he fought over thirty duels, while he acted as a second in sixty combats. He joined the staff of *Le Pays* in 1866, becoming its chief editor in a short time; hardly had a couple of weeks elapsed before he crossed swords with his colleagues, and anti-Bonapartist politicians. The late M. de Cassagnac also distinguished himself in the Franco-Prussian war by his bravery; he joined the Zouaves, a famous regiment noted for its fighting qualities, was made a prisoner at Sedan, and sent to prison in Silesia. He returned to Paris eight months later, and resumed the editorship of *Le Pays*, being sentenced to a week's imprisonment and a fine of 125 francs within a fortnight of his return, for fighting a duel with M. Lockroy, who was the editor of the "Sovereign People," and subsequently a Minister of State. He separated himself from *Le Pays* for the purpose of founding an organ of his own, namely *L'Autorité*—an opponent of the French Republic. Though he hated the English politically he ever remained the true type of a gentleman in social life.

## HOSPITALS.

The question of medical relief is once more engaging considerable attention in France. Indeed, the question of the free treatment of the indigent or necessitous sick, either at their domiciles, or in the hospitals, has recently been the subject of acute discussion. The female sex especially entertain a strong prejudice against entering hospitals. They allege that hospital treatment deprives them of all home affection, which even the most miserable cling to. The administrators of relief, however, view the question from the point of view of the taxpayer, while the doctors demand that there shall be no dualism as regards their functions, and a higher scale of remuneration for home attendance. The late Jules Simon was the enemy of the hospital. There, he thought, the patient was removed from the affection and devoted care of the family. The Municipal Council is very severe respecting admission into the hospitals or Alms Houses. Beds are generally scarce, so the applicant may have to remain a considerable time in the hospital. But a *commune*—of which there are 39,000 in France—prefers to have its beds unoccupied, both as regards hospitals and hospitals, rather than see them placed at the service of strangers. The vacant beds can be let to communes for their sick, provided the Councils pay for their use. It is the doctor who recommends the admissions in these cases. The Bureau de Bienfaisance, or Charity Board, relieves temporary ailments, and rarely investigates to find where the sick person was born. The Board is elected from among the chief residents, the doctor, clergy, tax-collector, and some members of the Municipal Council, while the Mayor acts as Chairman. When an inhabitant is ill, application must be made to the Mayor, whose officer sends the necessary documents to be filled up. If able, the applicant calls on the doctor for a consultation. If the patient is too ill to go to the dispensary, the doctor calls on the patient. The Local Charity Boards in the cities meet every day. There are two hundred doctors attached to the twenty *arrondissements*, or mayoralities, in Paris. The patient has full liberty to select the particular physician he cares for. But the doctor who gives consultations at the Charity Boards' dispensary, who visits the invalid at his residence, or who examines him for admission into the hospital, is not the same; hence, confusion and duality of work. When convalescent, the patient will return to the consulting doctor, as a right, but the latter is not recognized as regards home treatment. That matter rests with the Municipal Council alone. The doctor is paid 1fr. 75c. per dozen children whom he vaccinates. If no apothecary resides within a distance of two miles of his residence, he can compound and charge according to an official tariff for the medicaments supplied. It is at Rouen, where the crucial test of Home versus Hospital care is being tried. If not allowed by law to be visited at home, the sick person is sent to the hospital. Though the cities in France prefer dealing with sickness at the hospitals, Rouen decidedly favours the domiciliary treatment. The conclusion of the people of Rouen is:—When possible, treat the sick poor at their own domicile, and only remove to the hospital on the decision of the doctor, who will decide from the nature of the disease upon the particular place in which the patient should be treated. The Law ought to allow the physician to prescribe for the home sick, the same amount of medicaments, and of liberal or extra food, that hospitals command, following a minimum-and-maximum scale. The cost per patient per day fluctuates for the domiciles from 1fr. 18c. to 1fr. 65c.; and for the hospital, from 3fr. 10c. to 3fr. 56c.

## THEATRES.

The report of the Fine Arts Budget for 1903 has just been published; it is rather a bulky volume full of interesting details concerning things theatrical. Last year the Paris Opera

made a profit of 63,436 francs; in 1902, the profits amounted to 151,477 francs; while in 1901, there was a loss of 148,150 francs. So far 1904 looks as if it would be a bad year for the great national theatre, though hopes are still entertained that the receipts may reach a satisfactory level before the close of the year. The work played most frequently during last year (1904) was "Samson et Delila," which was staged thirty times; "Faust" twenty-five; "Lohengrin" twenty; and "Romeo and Juliette" eighteen. The two operas which drew the largest houses were "Faust," which yielded 446,241 francs for twenty-five representations, or an average of 17,849 francs; and the "Prophète," which brought in 104,936 francs for half a dozen representations, or an average of 17,489 francs. At the Comédie-Française the profits for 1903 were 649,471 francs. The *Sociétaires* who receive a "whole" share are Mmes. Bartet, Dudlay, Pierson, and M. M. Monnet-Sully, Coquelin cadet, Silvain, Le Bargy, De Férandy, Leloir, Lambert, and Paul Monnet. Their salaries amount to 12,000 francs, and their share of last year's profits was 30,000 francs.

## POLITICS.

Angry as that excitables Nationalist deputy—M. Syveton—might have been with the Minister of War, General André, he had no right to go as far as slapping the General's face, and so create a public scandal. His conduct is disapproved, and the news of his arrest just as he was about to fight a duel, has created no sensation. It saved his giving himself up later, as he intended doing. The injured General is progressing favourably; as soon as he is convalescent it is expected that he will retire to some garrison or another, and be heard of no more. He is held responsible for the present state of affairs in the Army, and his retirement is not regretted. Everybody agrees that the Ministry is on its last legs; that it cannot hold together much longer is a growing belief. The work of the purification of the Republic—which is a large one—is now well in hand. There is no telling what may happen from one moment to the other in the French political world. Trouble ahead is certain.

## SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 16th December.

## IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR H. S. BERKELEY (CHIEF JUSTICE) AND MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (PUISNE JUDGE).

## TANG TSE U. V. THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The fifth day of the hearing of this appeal. As before, Messrs. M. W. Slade and H. G. Calthorpe, instructed by Mr. J. H. Barton, appeared for the appellant; the Hon. E. H. Sharp, K.C., and Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley (Crown Solicitor), for the Attorney-General.

Mr. Slade continued his case for the appellant.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR T. SERCOMBE SMITH (PUISNE JUDGE).

## JUDGMENT WITH COSTS.

Judgment with costs was given in the following cases:—The Hing Cheong Lung Wing Ki v. The Chan Ching Provision Store; \$106.15; The Pak Wo v. Ting Kai, \$22.67; Lam Chey Pang v. The Lan Shing firm, \$100; S. J. David and Co. v. Lai Hing, \$80; Chin Tsang Fat v. Mung Po, \$51; The Kai Tai v. Li Pui, \$39.60; and Hurnam Singh v. Lo Hoi, \$15.

## FIXTURES.

The following fixtures were made:—Ng Ham Cheung v. Jensen and Co., \$1,000, to-day at 10.15 a.m. Ma Sheung Tong v. Li Kan Tai, \$217.80, on Monday at 10.15 a.m. F. F. Neves v. P. P. da Costa, \$12, Monday at 2.15 p.m. The Yue Hang Cheong v. Yim Sin Man, \$167.1, Tuesday at 10.15 a.m. The Kam Tai v. Lo Shan and another, \$500, Tuesday at 2.15 p.m. Ho Chun v. Lo Fo, \$40.39, Wednesday at 10.15 a.m. Wong Ming v. Lo Fo, \$161, Wednesday at 10.15 a.m. Tsang Tung v. Tsung Yung Tak, \$980, Wednesday at 10.15 a.m. The Fo Yik firm v. An Chun Sang and others, \$264.79, Thursday at 10.15 a.m. The Chun Cheong Lung v. The Cheung Fat Chau, \$143.49, Thursday at 2.15 p.m. For Friday next:—Gunder Singh v. J. M. Silva and another, \$80; The Ho Fat Kee v. Li Kan Tai, \$150; F. S. R. Xavier v. F. de Barros and another, \$126; Deutsches Asiatische Bank v. The Wai Shing Bank, \$785.84; Chung Wah Engineering Co. v. Tai Yee, \$670.9.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Nagasaki at 3 p.m. on Thursday, the 15th inst., and left again at 7 a.m. on Friday for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 5.30 p.m. to-day. The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 26th ult. via Honolulu, leaves Yokohama for this port this morning via Kobe, &c., and is due here on the 26th inst. The E. & A. steamer *Australasia* left Manila on the 15th inst. at 3 p.m., and is due here to-day, p.m. The A.L. steamer *China* left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst. The steamer *Sagami* arrived at New York on the 13th inst. The steamer *Germanicus* sailed from Victoria (B.C.) on the 14th inst. The M.A.L. steamer *Sithonia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 15th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 22nd inst.

## POLICE COURT.

Friday, 16th December.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## LOOKING FOR WORK.

Six inmates of the House of Detention took a trip to Yau-mai on Thursday last with the avowed intention of "looking for work." They found grog, which made them merry, and they proceeded to wreck Chinese stalls, to throw stones at, and otherwise maltreat, any unfortunate Chinaman who happened to come their way. There were several charges preferred against them. The first defendant was fined \$40, in default six weeks' imprisonment; the second \$25, in default, 21 days; the third \$25, in default two months; the fourth and fifth each \$10 or 21 days. The sixth defendant was cautioned and dismissed.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELARD (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## NOT THE SON OF A PRINCE.

Abdul Razack charged A. F. Arculli, J.P., Army and Navy Contractor, with using insulting language at the Hindoo Mosque on the 8th instant, whereby a breach of the peace might have been occasioned. Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the complainant, and Mr. John Hastings for the defendant.

Abdul Razack deposed: On the occasion of the festival of Ramthan I arrived late at the Mosque in accordance with the usual custom. The defendant called the meeting a quarter of an hour earlier, and I told him he ought not to call church so early. He should give us a chance. He said, "I will give you no chance. Formerly you were a small boy, now you are a big man." We then went into the compound. The defendant said "You have no right to ask me any questions. You are not the son of a prince. If you like to come next year you can. If you don't care about it, don't come." I told the defendant he had no right to say that. When he said it, all the Mussulmans of the Colony were there.

Cross-examined by Mr. Hastings: I was appointed on the Church Committee some time ago. I have not paid any subscriptions for three years. The defendant manages the affairs of the Mosque. He gave me notice that the service was to be at 8.30. I turned up at 8.40. There were about 300 worshippers in the Mosque. I did not go up to the defendant and abuse him. I simply spoke to him because I was one of the Committee. He said I was not the son of a prince.

Mr. Hastings: Well, are you the son of a prince?

Complainant: No.

Mr. Hastings: What the defendant said was quite true then?

Complainant: Yes.

After the hearing of further witnesses, Mr. Grist said that what they complained of was the attitude adopted by the defendant when asked questions. The defendant held the complainant up to ridicule in front of all the Mussulmans, and the attitude he adopted was liable to cause a breach of the peace. He did not wish his Worship to fine the defendant, but to bind him over.

His Worship: I find the charge not proved. The summons is dismissed.

Mr. Hastings applied for costs under Section 58 of the Magistrates' Ordinance, but these His Worship would not allow.

## A COSTLY CAT.

The proprietor of a pork shop at Queen's Road West was proceeded against by Senior Inspector Lamb of the Sanitary Board for selling meat without a licence. The cat was found in the shop already dressed for food. The defendant was ordered to pay \$100, in default two months' imprisonment.

## PLYING WITHOUT A CERTIFICATED MASTER.

Sergeant Aris of the Water Police proceeded against Leung Kam, owner of the launch *Lee Hwa*, for plying between Hongkong and the mainland without a certificated master on board.

P.C. 97 gave evidence as to seeing the launch coming from the direction of Hongkong. Shortly after he saw her call her "Save Life." He saw the launch run into about seven sampans. He boarded her just as they were pulling a man out of the water. He asked for the coxswain and the crew told him he was ashore. One of the crew was at the tiller master of the steam launch *Hung*. The defendant is the owner. I was on the launch 17 p.m. last Saturday night, when I was informed that my father was indisposed. I went to get some medicine for him, and on returning found that the launch had left. There was an assistant master on board, but he had no licence.

His Worship—You know very well that the launch should have waited till you came back. You know also that no launch is allowed to ply without a certificated master on board.

His Worship then informed the defendant that it was his duty to see the launch was supplied with a certificated master. He would be fined \$25.

## LARCENY BY A BAILEE.

Tsang Yuen Tsan proceeded against Chan Kwai Kan for the larceny of \$90 as a bailee. P.C. Willis, who is temporarily in charge of the Police Station at Kowloon City, prosecuted, and Mr. H. K. Holmes appeared for the defence. Documents handed to the Magistrate showed that the \$90 was sent from the complainant's brother at Honolulu, and was received by the Wing Cheong Lee shop, of 245, Des Voeux Road. From this shop it was forwarded to the Wing Man at Kowloon City, of which the defendant is the manager. The defendant in a statement said he had used the money as he did not know to whom he was to hand it. The case was adjourned till Wednesday next.

Professor Holland's letter in the *Times* of November 9, regarding the coaling of the Russian fleet, raised some points the importance of which cannot be denied by those immediately interested. If, as he contends, Lord Lansdowne's recent statement that it is "not permissible" for British shipowners to charter their vessels for the purpose of coaling the Baltic Fleet means that the British Government would be justified in preventing the accomplishment of the task, it is conceivable that these shipowners might find themselves in a decidedly awkward position. The policies which had covered war risks would not be a surety providing against the stopping and forfeiture of the vessels by British men-of-war. The very suggestion of forcible interference may strike one as altogether unlikely, but the point needs attention all the same.

## MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Friday, 16th December.

BEFORE HON. CAPT. L. BARNES-LAWRENCE R.N. (HARBOR MASTER).

## ALLEGED CONTRABAND.

Bertram Conway Edmunds, master of the British s.s. *Craigearn*, charged twelve men with wilfully disobeying his lawful commands on board the said ship, and with refusing to proceed to sea since the 15th inst., in Victoria Harbour.

Complainant stated that the defendants refused duty by reason of his ship conveying, as they alleged, contraband of war. Six of the men, five firemen and a donkeyman, refused work on the morning of the 15th and the remainder yesterday (Friday) morning. The cargo consisted of rice, sugar, oil cake, castor oil, brass, cotton and other small items of general merchandise. He had no reason to suppose that any of these goods were intended for warlike purposes. A statement had been given to him by the charterers showing that the cargo was not intended for a belligerent power.

The statement which was handed in and filed read as follows:—With reference to the cargo of rice, sugar and general merchandise, shipped by your steamer "hence to Kobe and Yokohama, we hereby declare that the whole of same is consigned to private individuals and firms in Japan, and not to any belligerent power.

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Continuing, witness said he had had no other trouble with the crew. By the articles of agreement they were bound to serve within 75 degrees north latitude and 60 degrees south latitude to any port.

One of the defendants, P. Lesites, carpenter of the ship, speaking on behalf of them all, said that they did not refuse to do their duty, but refused to carry contraband of war because they did not sign for that purpose. They refused to go to a war country.

By the Court the man said that under the circumstances of the Captain's explanations regarding these goods the five able seamen among the defendants were willing to return to duty if the master would undertake to guarantee them the loss of their clothing and personal effects in the event of their losing them.

The other defendants claimed similar treatment.

The complainant said that there was nothing whatever in the agreement as to making good the loss of effects. He was not willing to accede to their request.

Hon. Capt. Barnes-Lawrence (to complainant)—Before dealing with your men I put before you the position in which your case stands. Your vessel is chartered to carry certain goods to two ports in Japan, Kobe and Yokohama. Certain of these goods, such as rice and sugar, may be regarded as "conditional" contraband. That is to say, they are not considered contraband if the transaction in regard to their use is a purely commercial one and not done with intent of assisting in the war, but simply for the purposes of gain. To create an offence a belligerent must intend in this instance I hold in my hand a statement from the charterers to the effect that the vessel's cargo is consigned to private individuals and firms in Japan, and is not intended for the use of the belligerents.

Turning to the men—This being the case your refusal of duty cannot be entertained. By the articles of agreement you are bound to continue on this service, as you are not called upon to carry out any duties outside the provisions I give you, which will, if persisted in, involve serious consequences. I understand that the master is prepared to withdraw the charge if you now return to your duty.

The defendants discussed the matter, and finally said that they would return if the captain would give them an assurance that their personal effects would be made good in the event of any accident to the same during the voyage.

The Captain consented.

A guarantee was drawn up and handed to the carpenter. The charge was withdrawn and the men returned to their duty.

## HONGKONG BRANCH OF THE NAVY LEAGUE.

In the report to be presented to members of the Hongkong branch of the Navy League, at the general meeting next Monday, it is stated that the committee has, from time to time, offered gunnery prizes on behalf of this branch of the Navy League, but unfortunately the service regulations do not appear to admit of the acceptance of the offer. Among various local matters of importance, which have occurred during the period under review, may be mentioned the visit to the Far East of Mr. H. F. Wyatt, the Navy League Envoy. In Hongkong Mr. Wyatt delivered two lectures before appreciative audiences, one at the City Hall, on the 2nd June, 1903, at which the late Governor, Sir Henry Blake, took the chair, and the other at the Quarry Bay Sugar Works, at which Mr. D. R. Law presided. Mr. Wyatt also held a successful meeting at Canton, where the number of members of the Navy League in proportion to the number of Britons resident is very satisfactory. The season at which he arrived in Hongkong unfortunately precluded the idea of a general dinner being given to Mr. Wyatt by the members and associates of this Branch, but he was privately entertained by the members of the committee and a useful interchange of views effected. Since the last general meeting of the members and associates of the Hongkong branch of the Navy League, which took place in January, 1903, Capt. G. C. Anderson, returned to the old country for a well-earned rest. Subsequently, at the request of the committee, Mr. E. W. Mitchell kindly consented to act as hon. secretary for a few months and later they were able to secure the services of Mr. A. R. Lowe as hon. secretary. Mr. B. Layton, who did yeoman service for this branch as hon. treasurer resigned the post a few months ago, and Mr. N. J. Stubb has kindly consented to act in his place. The following are the present members of the committee: Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C. (President), The Hon. Mr. Gershom Steward, Mr. R. Chatterton Wilcox, Mr. M. W. Slade, Mr. D. R. Law, Mr. T. E. Cochrane, Mr. E. W. Mitchell, Mr. B. Layton, Mr. N. J. Stubb, hon. treasurer, and Mr. A. R. Lowe, hon. secretary. The number of members and associates of this branch is 235 members and 35 associates.

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Hongkong, 18th November, 1904.

## SUEZ IN PERIL.

A correspondent of the *Standard* wrote: Our Admiralty, under the able guidance of Sir John Fisher, is unlikely to go to sleep in the present crisis, but I would like to remind your readers of a little-known incident that occurred in 1878, which will show the dangers to which we are now exposed. In the early days of that year, when the Russian Army was encamped at San Stefano, and the British Fleet was anchored in the Marmora, when Peace and War hung in the balance, and the free passage of the Suez Canal was of vital interest to England, two large steamers lay in Genoa Harbour. They were loaded with granite and marble, and on the top of the hold were stowed some hundred barrels of Portland cement. Had necessity arisen, these vessels would have entered the Suez Canal. One would have been sunk on the far, the other on the near side, of the Bitter Lakes. The Portland cement would have filtered down through granite and marble, and a solid mass of masonry would have blocked the Canal. What is to prevent the Russians pursuing the same tactics to-day? The Baltic Fleet safely emerges at Suez, the British Mediterranean Fleet is as easily cooped up in European waters. Admiral Rozhdestvensky steams through the Indian seas; Aden is seized; Bombay, perfectly defenceless, is bombarded and laid under a heavy contribution; the British East India Squadron is wiped off the face of the waters, and then our China Squadron, descending from the Far East, finds the foe safely moored in the friendly waters of Saigon.

With Russia all things are possible. We have had her assurances regarding the Ogas, regarding Murv, regarding the evacuation of Manchuria, on the more recent *Molacca* incident, and we now see the *Peterburg* and *Smolensk* renamed and recommissioned as cruisers. May I venture to suggest through your columns that Sir Compton Domville be instructed to detach six of his battleships to Suez, with instructions not to lose sight of Admiral Rozhdestvensky until his Squadron is within gun-shot of Admiral Togo, and then we may safely leave him!

## NEW STEAMERS ORDERED BY THE HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

Of the 15 great steamers just ordered by the Hamburg-America Line, the most interesting are the two colossal steamers the *Kaiserin Augusta Victoria* of 25,000 tons register, and *America* of 22,000 tons. The former is to be built by the Vulcan firm at Stettin, and the latter by Messrs. Harland and Wolff at Belfast. The much-talked-of new steamers of the Cunard Line will have these two to compete with. For the line to East Asia, the Vulcan firm at Bremen are building the three ships *Rhenania*, *Rhaetia* and *Rugia*, each of 5,900 tons register. The Germania shipyard at Kiel is building a special steamer of 7,500 tons register for troop transport. For the service to the west coast of South America, the firm of Blohm and Voss, Hamburg, have received an order to build three steamers, the *Polynesia*, *Columbia*, and *California*, each of 6,650 tons. A steamer of 2,000 tons, to run between the West Indian ports, is to be built by the Serebeck Company in Bremerhaven. Two steamers each of 8,600 tons that are to be constructed in the Germania shipyard at Kiel and by the Fairfield Co. of Glasgow, and one of 3,800 tons allotted to the Kiefferstieg Ship-building Works in Hamburg, complete the list. Altogether the Fleet of the Hamburg-America Line is to be strengthened by an addition of 117,850 tons. When these orders are completed the Company will own 141 ships with a total of 711,856 registered tonnage.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.  
December 18th; 4th Sunday in Advent.  
Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)  
(Matins 11 a.m.)

Responses, Ferial; Venite, Tucker; Psalms, Barnby, Felton and Bentinck; Benedicite, Ward in A; Jubilate, Ouseley in C; Hymns, 53 and 50.

Holy Communion (12 noon).  
Kyrie, Baker in B flat; Hymns, 202 (Evensong 5.45 p.m.)

Responses, Ferial; Psalms, Stainer and Troutbeck; Magnificat, Wesley in F; Nunc Dimittis, Felton in B flat; Hymns, 193, 217 and 49; Vesper Hymn, Ward.

S. PETER'S CHURCH.  
Queen's Road, West.  
Fourth Sunday in Advent.  
Morning Prayer, 11 a.m.

Venite, Woodward; Te Deum, Russell; Jubilate, Barnby; Hymns, 59, 72, 75, and 61.  
Holy Communion, 12.15.

Evening Prayer.  
Magnificat, Goss; Nunc Dimittis, Savage; Hymns, 58, 185, 408, and 63.

The Church Launch *Dayspring* will call on ships carrying white crews to bring friends ashore to the services, between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m., and between 6.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 6); returning afterwards. The *Answering Penitent* is the call flag. All the sittings are free and unappropriated. Visitors welcome. Books, &c., provided. Sunday School 10-10.45 a.m.

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Tuesday, 7 p.m., Bible Class.  
Thursday, 7 p.m., General Meeting.  
Saturday, 7 p.m., Prayer Meeting.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 16th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen at all other stations, but more particularly in the Yangtze Valley and over the Eastern Sea.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [2923]

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E. A. BEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1904. [1]

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NAVY LEAGUE.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the Members and Associates of the Hongkong Branch of the Navy League will be held in the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 19th December, 1904, at 5.15 P.M. H. E. POLLOCK, Esq., K.C., in the Chair.

ARTHUR R. LOWE, Hon. Secretary.

Navy League, Hongkong Branch, Hongkong, 10th December, 1904. [2893]

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1904. [2560]

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1904. [2888]

## AUCTIONS

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1904. [2918]

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Hongkong, 14th December, 1904. [2909]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 19th day of DECEMBER, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Causeway Bay, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Loc. By	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
			N. S. E. W.			
1	1228	Causeway Bay	ft. ft. ft. ft.			
			273 102 192 6	178	\$7,000	\$83,118

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1904. 2912

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## THE YALE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF CHINA.

The annual dinner of 1904 took place at Shanghai. Yale Associations exist in many widely separated parts of the world, but it is doubtful if many can celebrate under the unique circumstances of the organization at Shanghai. Birds' nest soup, sharks' fins, roast duck cooked as only a Chinese cook can prepare it, and many other delicacies, which an epicure of Far Cathay can appreciate, were on the bill of fare. On the walls were hung Chinese, American, and Yale flags, and books of views of Yale University and New Haven were inspected by those present. The Yale Broke-ke-ke Co-ax Co-ax yell was frequently called for between courses and Yale songs and College glees were sung with great heartiness.

We are seven could be the motto applied to the representation of Yale men in Shanghai just now, and the members present included Messrs. S. T. Laisan '80; Tai Ye-ky '83; S. T. Laisan '84; Chu Pau-fay '85; C. S. Laisan '87; A. S. Mann '89; G. F. Coard '03.

The speech of the occasion was made by Mr. Tsu Ye-ky '83, the special commissioner sent by the Viceroy of Szechuan to the St. Louis Exposition, who has just returned from America and was passing through Shanghai en route to Szechuan.

Mr. Tsu said that surely he could not go as far as St. Louis without going also to visit his Alma Mater, Yale University. He had a splendid time at New Haven and everywhere met with the cordial reception, which Yale knows how to give to her sons from beyond the seas. He witnessed the football practice at the new Yale field out on Chapel St. and took a row on the well-known Lake Whitney and revisited the celebrated East Rock, with its fine view of the city and harbour. The new buildings reflected great credit on the University and the many changes were remarkable. It was surprising how one met Yale men, wherever one travelled. On the train going from New York to St. Louis, for instance, one would say, "Well, I am Yale '83" and the reply would be "I am Yale '88" or "Yale '90," as the case might be, and immediately they would shake hands and be deep in conversation about Yale matters, as if they had known each other for years. At St. Louis he saw Mr. Wong Kai-kah and his secretary, and also saw the fine exhibit sent from China. The interesting things that one could see at the Fair were almost limitless in extent. He had returned to China after a most interesting visit to the land where he was educated and with the renewal of many old friendships.

A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Tsu for his kindness in addressing the meeting and telling the members about Yale up to date. The minutes of the last meeting were read and Mr. Mann proposed, and Mr. Coard seconded, that they should be confirmed. Carried. The subject of the regulations for the admission of Chinese students into the United States was taken up. The secretary reported that the Resolutions, as proposed at the last meeting of the Association, had been drawn up and sent with a letter to the President of the United States as well as to Secretary Hay, Secretary Taft, and other members of the Cabinet, and to President Hadley and others. These documents called attention to the many irksome conditions under which Chinese students now enter the United States, with the consequent diversion of many of them to other countries to pursue a course of study, and petitioned that arrangements should be made so that Chinese students could land immediately at the same time as the other passengers of the ship on the presentation of their passports. Replies had been received from Secretary Hay, Secretary Taft, Secretary Cortelyou of the Department of Commerce and Labour, and others, so that it may be hoped that something definite may result, by which the hardships of the Chinese students may be alleviated. Some other correspondence was also shown.

Mr. Coard proposed, and Mr. Chu Pau-fay seconded, that in response to a letter from the Union Bureau of News an outline of the work of the Association and a photograph should be sent, so that people in the United States could know what was being done. Carried.

It was the sense of the meeting that a special dinner should be held in the month of May next, during the Triennial Meeting of the Educational Association at Shanghai, when many Yale men would doubtless be in town.

Mr. S. T. Laisan moved, and Mr. Tong Kai-sen seconded, that a constitution for the Association should be framed to be presented at the special meeting in May. Carried.

The Secretary reported that while, last February, there was only a total of 18 members, now there was a total of 38 Yale men, who were members of the Association, 31 of whom were residing in China, including Hongkong, while seven were residing in other countries. As showing the wide range of the territory in

China, where Yale men were residing, he would mention that he had received letters from Kalgan in the North to the island of Hainan in the South, and from Lohian in the West to Shanghai in the East of China. He also reported that the Directory of Yale Men in China was in preparation and would be published, it was hoped, early in 1905. Two students had recently gone from Shanghai to Yale, one from St. John's College and one from the Nanyang College.

Mr. Mann then moved, and Mr. Chu Pau-fay seconded, that the same officers should be re-elected for the following year. It was learned, however, that Mr. J. L. Davis '97, American Vice-President, had left Shanghai permanently for Manila. To fill the vacant place Mr. Leavenworth proposed, and Mr. S. T. Laisan seconded, that Mr. Mann, '89, of St. John's College, be elected Vice-president. The list of officers, as then proposed and elected, was as follows: President, H. E. Wong Kai-kah '83; Vice-President, S. T. Laisan '80; Vice-President, A. S. Mann '89; Hon. Secretary, C. S. Leavenworth '97.

The meeting dispersed after an interesting and pleasant entertainment.

## THE PEAK SUGAR CULTIVATION CO., LD.

The report for the nineteenth annual general meeting, to be held at Shanghai on Monday, 19th December, is as follows:

The Directors submit the following report for the twelve months ending 30th September, 1904:

**CROP.**—Gula Estate.—The area under cane as stated in last year's report was 1,627.25 a-longs; of this, canes have been cropped from 1,542.75 a-longs, leaving 84.50 a-longs to be carried over to next crop. The output of Sugar was piculs 56,072.93, giving an average of piculs 36.6 per a-long (16 tons per acre); the proportion of No. 1 sugar was 94.8 per cent, and the whole output realised an average net price of \$6.48 per picul.

**Klompong Estate.**—The area cropped has been 329.75 a-longs, producing piculs 53,493.30 of Basket Sugar, an average of piculs 40.33 per a-long. The average price realised for this sugar was \$3.33 net per picul.

**LABOUR.**—For the greater part of the season the supply of labour has been quite inadequate to the requirements of the estate, with the result that the cultivation has suffered from the want of sufficient attention, and it has been found impossible to extend the area under cane at Klompong to correspond with the capacity of the plant, which is capable of dealing with about 1,200 a-longs as against 877.4 already planted for next season. The difficulty is one which has been experienced in a more or less degree by all the sugar estates, and is due chiefly to the extensive Government works in progress, and to the failure on the part of the Government to import sufficient coolies for these works, the Government contractors avoiding the suit expenses by offering higher wages to time-expired coolies on the various estates. The Company has imported during the season 755 new coolies at a cost of \$33,000; 635 of these arrived on the estate during the last four months of the season under two and three years' contracts, and a proportion of the cost of importation has therefore been carried forward as a charge on next year's account. The latest reports state that the supply of labour is now ample.

**RUBBER PLANTATION.**—The reports with regard to this continue to be satisfactory. The manager expects to be able to start tapping—about 1,000 trees—next year. About 20,000 trees have been planted out and are doing well. About 15,000 will be ready for tapping in the year 1907.

**CROP 1904-1905.**—Gula Estate.—The area under cane for this crop is 1,393.75 a-longs, of which 622.50 a-longs are under lease to Cane Contractors. The whole output has been sold under forward contracts at prices which may be expected to realise an average of \$6.45 net per picul.

**Klompong Estate.**—The area under cane for this crop is 877.50 a-longs, of which 595.00 a-longs are leased to Cane Contractors. The whole output of Basket Sugar has been sold at \$4 per picul.

It is anticipated that the net results of the new season's working will be more favourable than those of the season under review.

**ACCOUNTS.**—Working Account for the season shows a profit of Tls. 33,462.29, which is transferred to Profit and Loss Account; the latter account, after deducting interest on debentures and the Manager's Commission of 2½ per cent, on the Working Account profit, shows an available balance of Tls. 26,219.18, which the Directors propose to divide as follows:—

A Dividend to Shareholders of 5 per cent. (Tls. 2.50 per share) ..	17,500.00
To write off Depreciation from Plant and Building—Klompong Estate ..	5,308.91
To write off Depreciation from Buildings—Gula Estate ..	1,775.18
Carrying forward ..	1,635.09
<b>Tls. 26,219.18</b>	

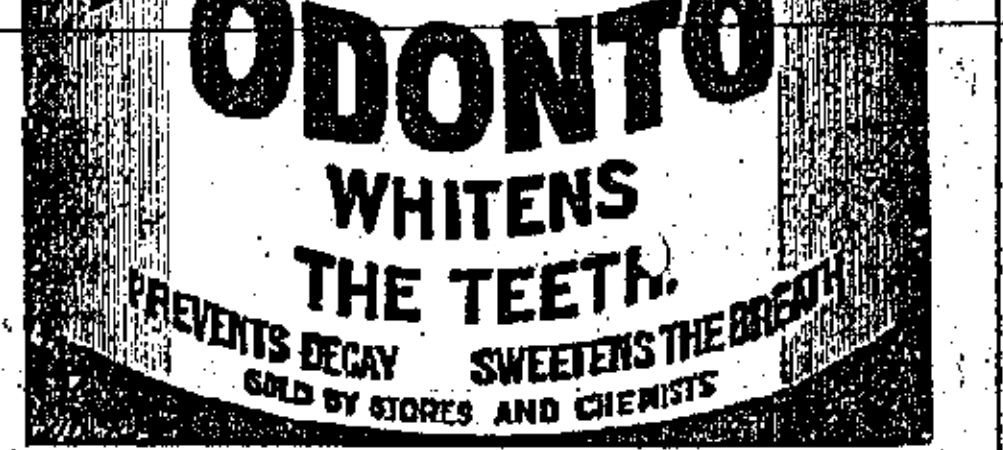
**DIRECTORS.**—Sir Charles Dudgeon resigned his seat on leaving Shanghai, the vacancy being filled by the appointment of Mr. F. Anderson, who retires at the annual meeting, but, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

**ADDITOR.**—The accounts have been audited by Mr. Chas. H. King, acting on behalf of Mr. G. R. Wingrove owing to the latter's illness. Mr. G. R. Wingrove offers himself for re-election.

Shanghai, 6th December, 1904.

WILLIAM D. LITTLE, Chairman.

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## HOW NEWCHWANG CHANGED HANDS.

A Newchwang resident wrote:—As everyone foresaw, it was a time of considerable danger for the whole European colony. In spite of our repeated applications for a British gunboat, the British Government left us altogether in the lurch, and it was touch-and-go that we were not all murdered and the town destroyed by the mob.

The Russians, who cleared out at six a.m., had given the Chinese carte blanche to loot and destroy everything they had left, and by eight o'clock the stores were in a blaze and the stations wrecked. That it would be only a short time before the rest of the European settlement was in danger was perfectly evident, and as no means of resistance was available, the fate of its inhabitants at the hands of a riotous mob, whose worst passions had been let loose, can easily be imagined.

To the energy and decision of one man, the saving of the situation is largely due. Four Japanese cavalry scouts entered the town. They were aware that the Russians had actually gone, and had simply pushed on to reconnoitre. No one but a single English lady could speak Japanese. But by this means, Mr. Harry Bush, of the well-known firm of Bush and Sons, grasping the situation, made himself understood to the leader of the party, and, with one of the scouts, rode out, at considerable personal risk, to the Japanese camp, where he explained the danger to the officer commanding. Fifty Japanese were at once hurried forward into Newchwang, and the arrival of even this small force was sufficient to give pause to the mob in its work of spoliation and destruction, and enabled us to breathe freely once more.

Lieutenant K. Sakara, in command of this small Japanese party, at once ordered the French flag, which had replaced the Russian, to be lowered on the Administration building, as well as the removal of the large gilt two-headed eagle which surmounted the building, and had hitherto served as the outward and visible symbol of the Tsar's sovereignty in this latest sphere of Russian aggression.

The next day Lieutenant Sakara returned to the front, and the control of Newchwang was taken over by Major Hoshino and Major Takayama, chief of the Military Administration Department, who proceeded to govern the town, in conjunction with the Consuls and the heads of the Chinese guilds. A wonderful change has ensued. The dominating presence of Russian military officialdom has given place to a feeling of easy tranquillity. Every sign of looting and robbery from the person is at an end, and the Chinese, in the new sense of general security, are showing a most amiable spirit. The shops are all open, and all the late Russian signs and street names are everywhere torn down.

It is an interesting fact that immediately after the Russian evacuation, there suddenly appeared from goodness knows where a Japanese Colonel in full uniform who, for months past, had been living in Newchwang, unknown and unrecognised by the Russians.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 16th December, 1904:—There is but little business to report this week, either of an investing or speculative nature. Rates generally have been adversely affected by the approaching settlements, a threatening tightness of money, and last but not least, the continued advance in the sterling rate of exchange with the consequent inducement to realise stock for remitting purposes. With all our local companies however doing well, and in many cases exceedingly well, it can only be a matter of time before rates improve again.

**BANKS.**—Hongkong and Shanghai have been negotiating at \$715 in fair lots, market closing with probable further buyers at that rate. The London rate has advanced to £70.10. Nationals remain unchanged and without business at \$39 sellers.

**MARINE INSURANCE.**—Unions have changed hands at \$705 and \$710, closing with probable buyers at the latter rate. China Traders continue quiet with further sales at \$584. Yangtzes have changed hands at \$150 while North Chinas have receded to Tls. 96.

**FIRE INSURANCES.**—Remain unchanged, with only a small business in Hongkong at \$335 and Chinas at \$90.

**SHIPPING.**—Indo-Chinas continue more or less erratic, with sales between \$128 and \$130 for the end of the month; at \$133 and \$134 for March; and \$136 and \$137 for June. The Shanghai rate has ruled fairly steady at Tls. 92, and at one time during the week looked like advancing considerably. Sellers from Hongkong however appear to have checked any advance; and at time of closing shares are offering locally at \$138 and in Shanghai at Tls. 94. The London rate has advanced to £12 2s. 6d. Hongkong Canton and Macao after a small sale at \$29 have declined to \$284 with sales, closing with sellers at the latter rate. Douglasses have declined \$34 with sales, but are required for at that rate. Shells are offering at \$25/6.

**REFINERIES.**—China Sugars have further declined to \$228 sellers with little or no cash business. On time a few parcels have changed hands at \$240 and \$241 for April; at \$253 for August, and at \$255 for September delivery. The temporary weakness is attributable to the approaching settlements. Luzons after further sales at \$21 have been placed at \$20 and \$19, and close with sellers at \$17.

**MINING.**—Rambas remain on offer at \$4 without business. There is no business to report under this heading.

**DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.**—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks showed a little firmness in the early part of the week, and sales were effected at \$216, \$217 and \$218 cash, market closing at \$217. Hon Kong and Kowloon Wharves remain quiet and without business at quotation. Farmanhas have experienced rather a heavy drop in Shanghai, and our local rates have been proportionately affected. Small local sales have taken place at Tls. 170, 167 and 166, while the rate in Shanghai fell from Tls. 174 to Tls. 163, which last is the closing rate.

**LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.**—Hongkong Lands have changed hands in small lots at \$148 and a more shares are obtainable at the rate. West Points have declined to \$39 sellers without any sales. Hongkong Hotels after sales at the advanced rates of \$142 to \$145 close with sellers at the latter rate. Humphreys continue quiet without change or business.

**COTTON MILLS.**—With the exception of an advance in Hongkong Cottons to \$134, buyers, we have nothing to report under this heading.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**—China Borneo after sales at \$18, are enquired for at \$19; to \$18. China Providents have changed hands at \$1. Green Islands at \$31 and \$30 and New Watsons at \$12. Hongkong High Level Tramways have declined to \$280 without sales and in Watkins, sellers replace buyers at \$9. Powells have advanced to \$12 with buyers.

**MEMOS.**—Hongkong High Level Tramway Co., Ordinary Annual General Meeting on 23rd instant. Transfer books closed from 20th to 26th instant. Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., call of \$7.50 on shares not fully paid up (new issue), due 2nd January, 1905.

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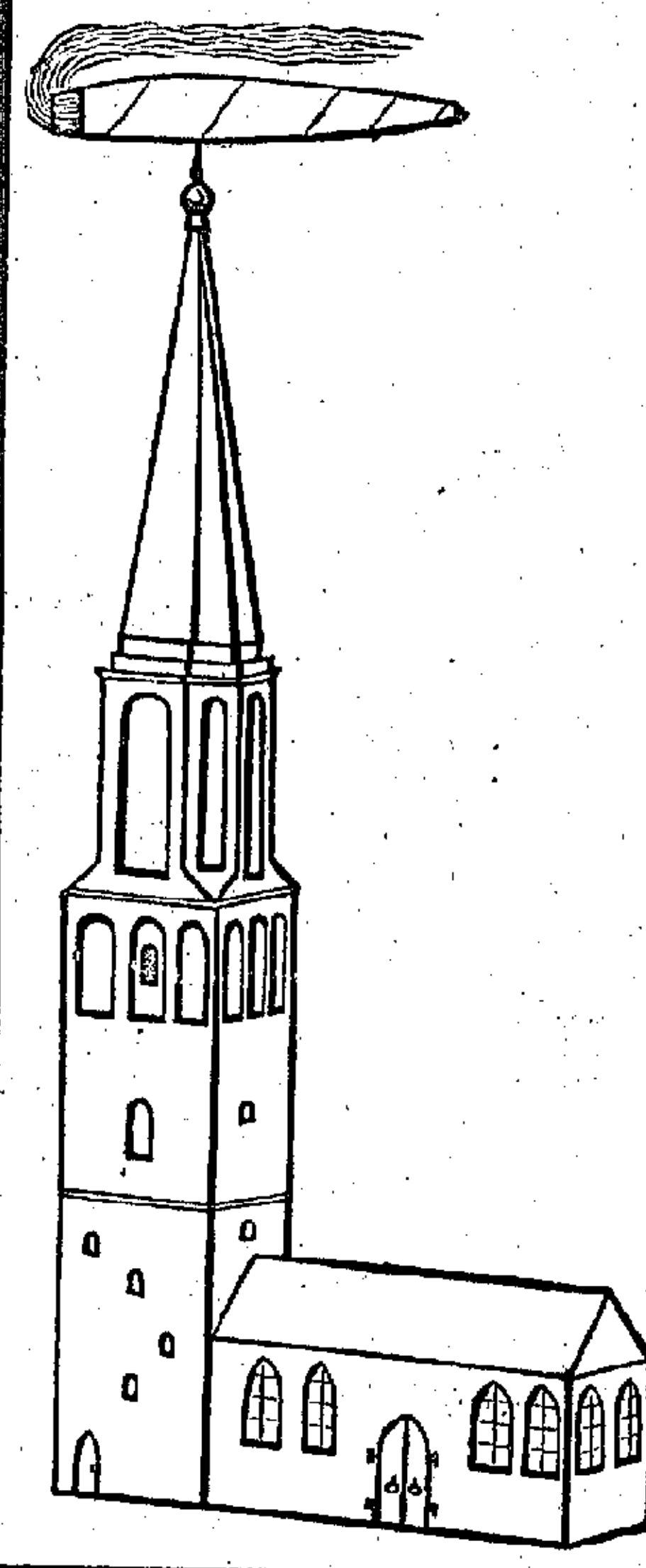
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## SHIPPING

**ARRIVALS.**  
 GLENORIE, British str., 3,433, Larkins, 15th Dec., Straits 9th Dec., General—China.  
 JOHANN, German str., 952, Island, 16th Dec., Bangkok 8th Dec., Rice—Johnson & Co.  
 LAERTES, British str., 1,311, J. H. Jackson, 15th Dec., Saigon 10th Dec., General—China.  
 Rice and sundries—China.  
 NUBIA, British str., 3,414, F. N. Tillard, 16th Dec., Shanghai 13th Dec., Mails and Dec.—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
 GEORGE, British str., 1,044, E. A. Mackenzie, 16th Dec., Mojil 10th Dec., Coal—Chinese.  
 TAMING, British str., 1,350, Penafather, 16th Dec., Manila 13th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.  
 TIENSHIN, British str., 2,555, C. D. Goldsmith, 16th Dec., Bombay via Penang and Singapore 24th Nov., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
 WAISHING, British str., 1,170, M. Courtney, 16th Dec., Canton 13th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 WONGKOT, German str., 1,777, J. Bruhn, 16th Dec., Swatow 15th Dec., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
 16th Dec.  
 Beauty, British str., for Nagasaki.  
 Craigie, British str., for Yokohama.  
 Whampoa, British str., for Shanghai.  
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## DEPARTURES.

16th Dec.  
 AMBRIA, German str., for Shanghai.  
 BENMORE, British str., for Bangkok.  
 CHOWHAI, German str., for Bangkok.  
 CRUS, British str., for Surabaya.  
 ESCER, Norwegian str., for Chinkiang.  
 HAILONG, British str., for Coast Ports.  
 HANGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.  
 HANOL, French str., for Haiphong.  
 HENRY BELCON, Norw. str., for Shanghai.  
 KEONGWAI, German str., for Bangkok.  
 KWEIYANG, British str., for Shanghai.  
 LOONGSANG, British str., for Manila.  
 PHRANGANG, German str., for Bangkok.  
 TEXAN, British str., for Honolulu.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

16th Dec.  
 ABERDEEN DOCKS.—Anchoraden, Nagalanes.  
 OWLON DOCKS.—U.S.S. Fathomer, Agincourt, Hae, Indralith, Vigilant, H.M.S. Robin, Seald, Attaka, H.M.S. Humbler.  
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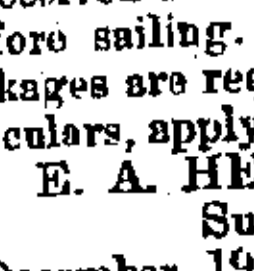
"NUBIA,"  
 Captain F. N. Tillard, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 17th Dec., at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "Moldavia," 9500 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.  
 Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the H.M.S. "Arabia," due in London on the 29th January, 1905.  
 Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.  
 For further particulars, apply to  
 E. A. HEWETT,  
 Superintendent.  
 Hongkong, 5th Dec., 1904.

## FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLUMBO AND PORT SAID.

## THE Bucknall Line Steamship

## "MANICA"

Captain Leslie, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 19th inst., at DAYLIGHT.  
 For Freight, apply to  
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 Agent.  
 Hongkong, 8th Dec., 1904.



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## THE Company's Steamship

## "GISELA"

Captain Damianovich, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 29th inst., P.M.  
 For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to  
 SANDER, WIELER & CO.,  
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 Hongkong, 2nd Dec., 1904.

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 Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY and WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING, at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every following evening at 5 P.M.  
 1st Class ... \$3.00 for Single Journey  
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 3rd ... 1.00 each.  
 The steamer's wharf is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.  
 YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.  
 No. 216, Wing Lok Street.  
 Hongkong, 27th February, 1904.

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the whereabouts of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's  
 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.  
 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.  
 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & HIO	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	NUBIA	Brit. str.	—	F. N. Tillard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BENLOMOND	Brit. str.	—	Clark	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 10th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMED	Brit. str.	1 m.	Young	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MOYNE	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	FRISON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	FRISON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	MANGA	Brit. str.	—	Leslie	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	CANDIA	Brit. str.	—	H. E. Kitat, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 27th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	TOKIN	Brit. str.	—	Schultz	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 21st inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Ger. str.	k.w.	Forst	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 1st Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	SENIGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Forst	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 10th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	ARMENIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 22nd Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	C. FRED. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	k.w.	Forst	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 27th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 7th Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Förck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 21st Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	ARCADIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Piller	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 7th Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 21st Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Lüning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 29th inst., P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	SAMBIA	Aus. str.	—	Damianovich	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	GISELA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Riley	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 28th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	NINGHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	Edmondson	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 30th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	HECTOR	Brit. str.	—		STANDARD OIL CO.	About 15th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	SHIMAZU	Brit. str.	—		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	CLAVESDALE	Brit. str.	—		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 11th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	SENECA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	ATLANTIC	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th Jan., at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	EMPERESS OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.		PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 26th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	PELUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 27th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	PELUS	Brit. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 22nd inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	NICOMEDIA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	CHINGT	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	JAVA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	TIENSHIN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 19th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	CHANGCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 19th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	ANHUI	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	HUNAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst., at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	FOOCHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	WUJONG	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	CHOYANG	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	MAIA	Aus. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	CHINA	Aus. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	THUNDER	Jap. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	PHOENIX	Jap. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	M. SEVUE	Jap. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	HATAN	Brit. str.	2 h.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	RUJI	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	ZAVIRO	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	THEMONT	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	SUNGKIANG	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	TUPANAS	Dut. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	LAISANG	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW	"FRITHJOF"	SUNDAY, 18th Dec., at Daylight.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW	H. A. HARALDSEN	WEDNESDAY, 21st Dec., at Daylight.
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW	"TRIUMPH"	Dec., at Daylight.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW	A. HANSEN	SUNDAY, 25th Dec., at Daylight.
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW	"M. SEVUE"	T. B. B. B.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume sailing with its specially designed new steamers.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8 Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 12th Dec., 1904.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

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## THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

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"Empress" Twin Screw Steamship—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

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SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

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R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 25th Dec.

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R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,425 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 25th Jan.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 8th Feb.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 8th Mar.

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Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LONDON, Oporto, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRISTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

SENEGAMBIA ... (HAYRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG) ... On 21st Dec. Freight.

AMBRIA ... (HAYRE and HAMBURG) ... On 1st Jan. Freight.

AMBRIA ... (HAYRE and HAMBURG) ... On 10th Jan. Freight.

AMBRIA ... (HAYRE and HAMBURG) ... On 22nd Jan. Freight.

AMBRIA ... (HAYRE and HAMBURG) ... On 27th Jan. Freight.

AMBRIA ... (HAYRE and HAMBURG) ... On 7th Feb. Freight.

AMBRIA ... (HAYRE and HAMBURG) ... On 21st Feb. Freight.

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SHANGHAI ... MALTA ... R. A. Peters ... About 17th December ... Freight and Passage.

MARSEILLES, LONDON and ... CANCIA ... About 21st December ... Freight only.

AMSTERDAM VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLUMBO and PORT SAID ... H. E. Kitat, R.N.R. ... About 22nd December ... Freight only.

MOJI and KOBE ... TIENSHIN ... U.D. Goldsmith, R.N.R. ... About 27th December ... Freight and Passage.

YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, HAI, MOJI and KOBE ... S. Barcham ... About 27th December ... Freight and Passage.

(Passing through the Inland Sea) ... S. Barcham ... About 27th December ... Freight and Passage.

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Hongkong, 15th Dec., 1904.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY LINE.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

## VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

## MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer. Tons. Captain. Sailing Date.

PLEIADES ... 3,753 ... F. G. Parington ... Friday, December 23rd.

THEMONT ... 9,906 ... T. W. Garlick ... January 10th.

LYRA ... 4,417 ... G. V. Williams ... February 9th.

PLEIADES ... 3,753 ... F. G. Parington ... March 4th.

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The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" have just been fitted with very Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

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NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 17th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SOLARISE"	On 19th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELUS"	On 27th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PRAM"	On 4th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"WRAICASTLE"	On 5th January.	

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 20th December.	
GENOA, M'LES, HAVRE and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 22nd December.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 3rd January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HYRON"	On 17th January.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 20th January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PRIAM"	On 31st January.	

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PELUS"	On 28th December.	

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Hongkong, 7th December, 1904.

# CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
MOJI & KOBE	"CHANGCHOW"	On 17th December.	
CHUO & ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 18th December.	
SHANGHAI	"HUNAN"	On 18th December.	
SHANGHAI	"FOOCHOW"	On 19th December.	
CHUO	"ANHUI"	On 20th December.	
SHANGHAI	"WOSUNG"	On 20th December.	
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 20th December.	
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	On 26th December.	

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Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1904.

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## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS and LUGGAGE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	WEDNESDAY	21st December
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY	4th January 1905
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY	18th January
ROON	WEDNESDAY	1st February
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY	15th February
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY	1st March
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	15th March
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY	29th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY	12th April
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	26th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY	26th April

ON WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of DECEMBER, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH," Captain E. Prehn, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port at Noon, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 19th December. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 20th December, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 20th December.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.**  
**MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.**

Hongkong, 8th December, 1904.

# PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL AT DAYLIGHT ON
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagner	January 9th, 1905.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Brehmer	January 25th, 1905.
"ARABIA"	4,483	Bahle	February 20th, 1905.
"ALAGONIA"	5,198	Schuldt	March 12th, 1905.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

**ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.**

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

# INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
SHANGHAI	"TAKSANG"	Mon., 19th Dec., 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	"CHOYSANG"	Wednes., 21st Dec., 11 P.M.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Tues., 3rd Jan., 3 P.M.	

\* These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chetoo, Tientsin and Yangtze Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most spacious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon staterooms. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESSE carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

# CHINA AND MANILA

## STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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## THE BLACK RIBBON.

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## CHAPTER XII.—Continued.

Kitty laid her two elbows on the wooden parapet, and looked across the grey scene which lay at her feet.

"I have given up on a Rupert for the sake of Olga," she said to herself. "I love Rupert; he is a dear, manly, affectionate, good-hearted fellow, but he is weak as water compared to Olga. I have dragged him into the toils and he is Olga's prey. She will do with him as she likes. He will obey her, and in a short time the worst must happen—unless, indeed, we succeed. Good God! Is there any chance?"

Kitty raised her eyes to the cloudless sky. "Is there any answer above that dome of blue?" she thought. "Is there only a pitiless world up there, or is there a God, and does He hear the cry of the destitute? The little girl, for instance, who was our victim? Does He hear her cry when she is now?"

The voices of singing men and singing women were borne to Kitty's ears. She tried to rouse herself. She thought of Helen.

"Up to the present, Helen compared with myself, is hardly immersed at all in this awful thing," she thought. "And there is the Englishman, Delafeld, a good fellow, devoted to her. Why could not they two escape? I wish they could! Ah, and here he comes."

Delafeld, at that moment, entered the balcony from another window which opened on it from a more distant part of the mansion; he came Kitty and hurried towards her. He had changed his dress for the light blue suit which always becomes young Englishmen, and he looked typically English, very fresh, very handsome and resolute at that moment.

Kitty turned a half-lazy glance towards him. Kitty Pembroke herself was the very personification of softness; her cheeks were round, and when she smiled she had dimples. Her blue eyes were insouciant in their laughing glance, and with her fair skin, deep blue eyes, and rippling black hair, black brows and eyelashes, she might have been mistaken for the best and most beautiful type of an Irish girl. She had none of Helen's statuesque beauty, but most of Helen's grace. Her eyes were more or less abstracted. He was by nature polite to all women. There never was a woman that did not wake in him that equivocal sense which must be the heart of all good men; but the door of his heart was effectually closed by one woman, and no other could ever get into the outer precincts. Kitty, however, called to him, and he came to her.

"Isn't it lovely here?" she said gaily. "Do I understand, Dr. Delafeld, that you have never been to this gay capital before?"

"Never before, Miss Pembroke," he said.

"You will find it interesting for a day or two."

"Why do you say for a day or two? I am not likely to leave in a hurry."

"I hope you will, Mr. Delafeld."

Kitty turned and gave him a glance that was half-lazy, half-suggestive. Delafeld came close to her and heath his elbows also on the parapet and looked across the Neva.

"Now that I have survived the voyage and the signs thereof," he said with a laugh, "I shall stay on as long as Helen stays."

"Ah!" said Kitty. "I would not if I were you."

"You mean, I think, Miss Pembroke, that you would if you were me." Then he added after a minute—"Not being me you cannot understand."

"Yes, I understand," said Kitty. "It is because of devotion, love. I know quite well what you feel for Helen, and she is worthy of the very best you can give her. But, Dr. Delafeld, I must speak. We are in a land of spies. Step nearer to me, will you please? There is such a thing as helping the woman you love best by effacing yourself. The fact is this—I believe that you are not absolutely safe in this pleasant house, in the midst of these pleasant scenes."

Delafeld felt his heart beat.

"Do you know anything?" he said in a whisper.

"Nothing," she said, raising her voice. "Nothing, except how lovely it is, how refreshing, after the cramping feeling even of our pleasant ship. It was quite a good-natured ship, wasn't it? Ah, yes, after the first few days, when the waters became still, and did not knock us about too roughly, the *Aethona* was a delightful ship."

"Quite so," said Delafeld, "but will you tell me something about this place. Where are we for instance?"

"How negligent of me! Of course, I ought to have remembered that you are a newcomer and want to see the sights. Behold then, this mighty quay, those smart people who are walking on the wide promenade. Look to your right at that palace which shines in the western sun. It is the Winter Palace, where a man troubled by the weight of his crown and numerous fears, lives in a mighty solitude. He is the great Czar of all the Russias. Look right across the Neva with its shining waters. Do you see that island? You scarcely know it or an island, but it is one. It is a prison, a place of numerous bridges. It contains a church, a fortress, and the churches of the church of St. Peter and St. Paul are the most magnificent and the most constant in the whole of great St. Petersburg. They chime day and night continually. And listen, Mr. Delafeld, they have driven men, and women too, mad, for just below the church are the dungeons, and in the dungeons are confined the state prisoners."

"You speak with great emphasis," said Delafeld, turning cold in spite of himself.

"Once," said Kitty, "once I met a man, who in some miraculous way, had escaped the power of Russia. I will not tell you his story now, for it would take too long, but he was confined in a dungeon in that fortress just below the church. The chiming of those endless bells seemed to press on his brain; he was in a damp place, the water ran off the walls; there were rats, innumerable. He was chained too; his sufferings were indescribable. I shall never forget his gaunt face, and his starving, hungry face; he had once had a great intellect—he had written a marvellous poem, revolutionary—I shall not repeat that word again—but the poem, it was very great with its metaphors and its rhythm. You seemed to hear the clanking of the chains when he decried those prisoners—not of hope, but of despair. But he paid for it; he gave it all for it, his liberty—well, perhaps that was not much; he was not married, he had no wife or child, and his mother, luckily, was dead. But he was a young man, in the prime of his manhood, and he went in, or rather he was taken in, and he lay in one of those dungeons until power left him, perhaps that was not much—until morning left him. He grew cold and afraid, he who had never feared anything; and then, the—good God!" said Kitty.

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putting her hand to her head as though she would press away the terrible vision—"that magnificent intellect began to go; that brain, so keen, so sharp, so subtle, like the finest steel, became tarnished and a cloud swept over it. It lost its keen power of analysis, it lost its discrimination, it lost its marvellous memory. He went in a man in every sense of the word, he escaped a wreck, shattered, dying. They said he was mad, for he sang all the time of the fresh green fields, and babbling waters, and his brain got weaker and weaker, until at last it could only retain the songs of his boyhood, the school songs, and then the prattling lullabies his mother had taught him at her knee, and I hope when he died that his mother was there to receive him, and that he is now at rest."

"It is a very sad story," said Delafeld.

"And it began, and ended, really, with the fortress yonder, which looks so gay in the sunshine," said Kitty. "Ah, listen! Those are the chimers."

Magnificent bells rang out sonorous and fine, but Delafeld listened with a cloud at his heart.

Kitty gave a light laugh.

"How sonorous we are," she said, changing her tone. "Oh, what a pretty skill is coming up the river. It is amusing to see so many fish-people in Petersburg to-day. You will only see the Professor's data, it is really the most lovely retreat I have ever been in, in all my life. Why, if that good lady is not Henrietta Templeton, she is engaged to Count Sueri. You will meet the Count to-morrow. You will like him—he is charming." Hullo, Henrietta?

The stiff slackened its speed, and came near enough for Kitty to shout from the balcony.

"We are going down to Peterhof to-morrow. When are you going?" said Kitty.

"We are going down to," answered Henrietta. "The Count went to-day, now give I am to go to-morrow to Helen."

"Well," said Kitty, "in excellent health. I will tell her that you have enquired for her. You will meet her also at Peterhof to-morrow."

Henrietta Templeton, a beautiful, fair-haired English girl, waved a graceful adieu, and the stiff continued its way. It was a finely caparisoned boat, rowed by eight men. It flew over the waters. Kitty turned to Delafeld.

"I will leave you for the present," she said. "Remember how charming and varied is this kaleidoscope called life. There is the gay colour—that skill, for instance, Henrietta Templeton is one of the fairest flowers of society, and will be a distinguished woman as Count Sueri's wife. But there is the dark as well as the gay. Remember that too, Maurice Delafeld. Think of that gloomy killing of the prisoners, not of hope, but of despair!"

The stiff, however, proved himself delightful at dinner that evening. The ladies appeared in full evening dress. Several men distinguished in the diplomatic world were invited to be present, and one or two of their wives, still delayed for some reason or other in Petersburg, were also amongst the guests. Conversation went on in French, so Delafeld was perfectly at his ease, and won many golden opinions for his thoroughly English appearance, and polite manners.

It was late when he retired to the room set apart for him, exactly over the balcony where he had talked with Kitty that afternoon.

It was between eleven and twelve o'clock when he entered his own apartment. There was a full moon shining in the sky; he had seen it last night as they had approached the entrance of the mighty Neva. It shone now with a dazzling splendour across the bosom of the broad river, and lit up the domes and cupolas of the celebrated church of St. Peter and St. Paul, while the chimers rang out majestically. Delafeld crossed the room, and entered another balcony, which ran right along this side of the building.

He stayed there for some time, he was excited, and pleasantly so. The more idea that there was some slight danger had quickened his pulses. He was more than ever in love with Helen; his feelings, when Kitty had spoken to him to-day, had been hardly at all about himself, but had been solely concerned with her. Beyond the slightest doubt she was getting hers if into the most serious and dangerous position. To give his life for her was but a trifle, for his love was the strongest of his whole nature; he had never loved any woman before as he loved his beautiful cousin.

After a time, as he stood on the balcony an immeasurable and almost overpowering sense of depression swept over him. It seemed to him that he saw pictures of those miserable prisoners who were so near, within such a short distance of him, who were reduced to that hopeless state when even intellect succumbs, and the mind, which is so much the water under the body, bows itself trembles and vanishes.

"My God! why are these things allowed?" thought the young man. "I could be a revolutionary myself to help the cause. But no, I have come here to help Helen, to succour her, to carry her away from the land of outward sunshine, the land of the rotten heart."

He re-entered his room, and just at that moment he saw that the handle of the door was softly turned, and a woman came in; he took a hurried step forward, and then drew back. The woman was Rebecca Rawlinson.

"What is the matter?" he said sternly. "What have you come for?"

"I have the charge of your room, Miss Lumsdale's and Miss Pembroke's and others on this floor," said Rebecca, speaking in her calmest tone. "I was bringing you a carafe of cold water. It is quite fresh and sparkling. I drew it myself from the well underneath this house. It is accounted the coldest water in Petersburg for the well from which it is taken is sixty feet deep."

"Thank you," said Delafeld.

He stood very still in the middle of the room, and stretching out his hand, he laid it on the back of a chair which stood near. Rebecca went swiftly to the massive marble wash-handstand. She took up the carafe of cold water which was already there, and dashed the contents into a pail which stood near, and then filled up the carafe from the jug which she held in her hand.

"The water that I threw away," she said, coming up to Delafeld, "might possibly have given you bad dreams; the water that I have supplied you with is innocuous. Good-night, sir."

She turned and swiftly left the room. Delafeld was a doctor; his professional instincts were aroused; he went at once towards the pail into which Rebecca had flung the water which the carafe had contained, and taking up a little in a glass took it to the light and examined it. He sniffed at it, and tested it. There was no smell, and not the slightest taste of any sort; he put it down, raised his mouth carefully, and then taking a few drops from the carafe which had been filled to the brim, he also tasted that.

"She says it is innocuous," he said to himself. "Somehow, in some sort of fashion, I believe her. I will prove it."

He filled up the glass to the brim, and drank it off; he then took a tiny bottle which happened to be empty, from the medicine chest, and filled it full of the other water. Then he lay down and went to sleep.

Early in the morning he woke. The house was quiet. He felt well, without headache or any sort of illness; he found that he could not rest any longer. Rebecca's words kept echoing in his ears.

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He went downstairs, taking with him the little bottle of the other water. The place was already astir, for people rose early in the Northern capital. There was a chemist's shop open on the English name over it; he went in eagerly. A thoughtful looking man was standing behind the counter dusting some bottles. Delafeld spoke a few words to him. In a minute they both had entered a small laboratory at the back of the shop. Five minutes later Maurice Delafeld came out, his face was white, and there was a gray shadow under his eyes.

CHAPTER XIV.

Olga Kristofski had dressed herself in a wonderful long robe of velvet with the finish of the pink sunset upon it. It was shaded so that in some lights it was almost white, in others a most delicate and exquisite rose; her ornaments were diamonds. About her coal-black hair she wore an magnificent tulle, a mass of glittering gems.

When the party arrived at Kristofski's data on the following day, it was within half an hour of the time appointed for dinner. Olga had on her evening dress, in order to be quite ready to attend to her visitors' comfort. She stood in the portico, as the carriages, one after another, drew up, emptied themselves of their gay occupants, and rolled swiftly away.

Helen's face was very pale when she saw Olga Kristofski, and Kitty felt as though a hand clutched her heart; but both girls went eagerly forward.

Olga, with no additional flush on her cheek, with no added sparkle in her heavy, lead-black eyes, embraced them both briefly.

"I am glad you have come," she said to Helen, "and am glad to see you," she said, turning to Kitty.

"This she waited to be introduced to Maurice Delafeld. Helen herself performed this office. She took her cousin's hand, and led him forward.

"Olga," she said, "this is my cousin, Mr. Maurice Delafeld; he has never been in your beloved country before. Your father has been kind enough to invite him here as one of your guests. Will you also say that you are glad he has come?"

"That will altogether depend," said Olga, and now she very slightly raised those lustrous black eyes of hers, and fixed them on Delafeld's face.

Delafeld gave her a puzzled glance. Beside her heavy magnificence, quite oriental in its character, the pale-skinned Englishman seemed to shrink into insignificance. But this was only for a moment. Delafeld had been an intellect as well as a heart, and he was not a man to be easily deceived. He was a man of steel, and he was a man of steel.

"I am sure you will be the most agreeable acquisition to our party. Dr. Delafeld," she said, speaking in excellent English. "Now, would you not all like to go to your rooms? Ah, here is Rawlinson. I must say a word to Rawlinson. Rebecca, how are you?"

She went up to Rebecca, who had been trying to slide away without anybody noticing her. She turned when she saw Olga, and there was something very curious in the expression of her face. It was like that which Delafeld had once seen in the eyes of a wounded stag when it was brought to bay by the hounds. There was a beseeching look in the woman's eyes which were wont to be so hard. Olga's face expressed nothing.

"You will attend to Miss Lumsdale's wants. She sleeps in the Corinthian chamber. Will you take her there at once."

"Follow me, please, dear madam," said Rawlinson, going swiftly to Helen, who immediately did what she was told.

"The ladies' luggage had preceded them by half an hour, and the river early in the day, and Helen found her dinner dress ready to put on.

"Are we to be a big party to-night, do you know?" said Kitty, turning to Rawlinson.

"Yes, Count Sueri and Professor Starbint will both be present. Also, some gentlemen, whose names you do not know, madam."

"But you know?" said Helen.

"Yes, I know."

"Who are they?"

Rebecca came close, and dropped her voice for a minute.

"They belong to the Black Ribbon Order," she said.

Helen clasped her hands.

"Why?" she asked, her face turning very white, and her eyes dilating. "Why should they come here to-night?"

"It is the will of madam Olga."

"Not the Professor's will?"

"It is the will of madam Olga."

"Rebecca, I am frightened. I am sorry I came here."

"Oh, you won't go back now," said Rebecca. Helen clasped and unclasped her hands.

"I don't know what nervous terrors are over me," she said. "I'm not the least afraid for myself, but I wish my cousin were in England."

"Send him back, madam. When a man loves, he will surely obey the one he loves. Send him back."

"Can he go? Is it possible?"

"I can perhaps manage that," said Rebecca very softly.

"Rebecca, would you? Would you indeed? Are you speaking the truth to me?"

"He saved my life," said Rebecca. "There was no one in all the world I loved as I did your old Englishman, until that morning when I lay dying, and he brought me back. I would not have been here now, but for him. Even a woman with a history like mine, and a mission like mine, does not wish the worst fates to happen to her deliverer. You may trust me. Few things rouse me, but I have an intense desire for life. I am not made like others, but life contents me. Better half a loaf than no bread. Better be the most starving pariah dog than a dead lion. That is what Rebecca Rawlinson feels. And because he gave me back that poor and yet appreciated rag which we call humanity, I would not take that same rag from him. You can trust me, therefore, madam, and you may know that I am speaking the truth when I say words of this sort to you, for your position in this country is not a happy one."

"Oh, but it is," said Helen brightly. "I have no fear now that I have come. I mean nobly and bravely to advocate the cause of the oppressed. I mean to follow the steps of the incomparable Olga. What she wishes, I will do. Where she wills me to go, I will obey. She would never ask me to do anything mean or ignoble, therefore I will follow her to the end of the world."

"Don't say any more. You had better not. You have not the least idea what lies before you."

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Alacrity, despatch-boat, 1,700 tons, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p., Com. R. M. Harbord, Hongkong.

Albion, battleship, 12,950 tons, 18 guns, Capt. Fremantle, Weihaiwei.

Algerie, sloop, 1,450 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Com. Rowland Nugent, Hongkong.

Amphitrite, 1st class cruiser, 11,000 tons, 18 guns, Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O., Weihaiwei.

Andromeda, cruiser, 12,500 tons, Capt. Nelson Ommanney, Weihaiwei.

Astraea, 2nd class cruiser, 4,363 tons, 10 guns, 7,000 h.p., Captain Lionel G. Tufnell, Singapore.

Bramble, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. O. M. Makins, en route Hongkong.

Britannia, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Thos. D. Pratt, Hongkong.

Centurion, battleship, 10,503 tons, Capt. Fegge, Weihaiwei.

Cressy, cruiser, 12,000 tons, 14 guns, 21,000 h.p., Capt. Henry M. T. Tudor, Singapore.

Espiegle, gunboat, 1,070 tons, 6 guns, Comdr. Sator, Singapore.

Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns, 5,700 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. Asser, Hongkong.

Fearless, gunboat, 443 tons, 12 guns, Comdr. Vaughan Jones, en route Singapore.

Gloria, battleship, 12,950 tons, 18 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Hon. W. G. Stopford, Hongkong.

Hardy, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., in reserve.

Hart, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Weihaiwei.

Hammer, storeship, 1,640 tons, Comdr. P. M. Riadore, Hongkong.

Iphigenia, 2d class cruiser, 3,600 tons, Capt. Fawcett, Shanghai.

Janus, torpedo-boat destroyer, 280 tons, 6 guns, 3,800 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. J. A. Gregory, Weihaiwei.

Kinshas, river gunboat, 331 tons, Lieut. Comdr. Christopher P. Metcalf, on Yangtze.

Lothian, cruiser, 14,100 tons, Capt. Kirby, en route Singapore.

Moonbeam, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, Lieut. Comdr. F. B. Noble, West River.

Ocean, battleship, 12,950 tons, 18 guns, 13,500 h.p., Captain Grest, C.M.G., Weihaiwei.

Otter, torpedo-boat destroyer, 350 tons, in reserve.

Phoenix, sloop, 1,015 tons, 6 guns, 1,400 h.p., Comdr. J. Nicholas, Hongkong.

Rambler, surveying ship, 583 tons, Comdr. Chas. E. Monro, Labuan.

Robin, river gunboat, 55 tons, 2 guns, 24 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Vaughan, West River.

Rosario, sloop, 930 tons, 6 guns, 11,400 h.p., Comdr. Virian, Hongkong.

Sandpiper, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 24 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. L. W. Jones, West River.

Sirius, 2nd class cruiser, 3,600 tons, Capt.



